

Word For The Week

8 November 2019

Preaching Dates

10 November 2019

David Andrew (am) at
Tillycoultry Baptist Church
Ian Barr (am) at Johnstone Baptist Church
Gordon Dickey (am) at
Galashiels Baptist Church
Nigel Johns (am) at Kingspark Baptist
Church, Castlemilk, Glasgow

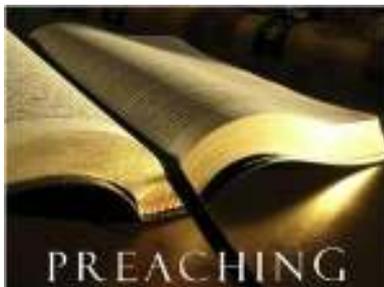
Douglas Inglis (am + pm) at
Larkhall Baptist Church
Charles Sommerville (am + pm) at
Shettleston Baptist Church

12 November 2019

Charles Sommerville (am) at
Bo'ness Baptist Church
Hazel Brooks (pm) at Roman Road
Evangelical Church, Motherwell
Tony Walters (pm) at Church of Scotland
Women's Guild, Kinlochleven.

13 November 2019

Charles Sommerville (pm) at
Shettleston Baptist Church



**“Be still, and know that I am
God”**

By Ian Stephen

*Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the
heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.
Ps.46 v 10*

The Berlin Wall anniversary, 'knock down'. This story reminded me of my trips to East Berlin in the 1970's with church exchange young folk from Glasgow.

We were behind the Iron Curtain four times over the years. On each occasion we learned to value our Christian freedom. The brilliant daughter of a pastor wanting to study medicine forced to be a labourer because she wouldn't wear the communist red neckerchief, the teacher of religion smuggling in Bibles packaged between large boxes of soap powder, pretending to be on a cultural tour of an Art Gallery to escape the attention of secret police following us. The overall sense of oppression. Yet GOD WAS IN CONTROL.

The same sense was here over the last few months as our own Parliament was 'knocked down'. Through all the shenanigans all I could think - GOD IS IN CONTROL. Despite all the fighting over power, causing people to wonder what is happening to our country, I thank God that at least we have freedom to worship.

A few years ago, we sang:

*Kingdoms may rise, kingdoms may fall
Nations refuse to hear God's call
But the WORD OF THE LORD endures for evermore.*

Do we appreciate this freedom? Do we PRAY often enough for our politicians - those who are Christians?

As we go to the polls remind ourselves GOD IS IN CONTROL. Ask Him for wisdom in our choice of candidate for our vote.